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REPORT BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE INTERNATIONAL JURY

24TH FAI WORLD PRECISION FLYING CHAMPIONSHIPS

FROM THE 22ND TO THE 26TH OF AUGUST 2022

AT ALBI AIRPORT, FRANCE

General

The 24th FAI WPFC 2022 took place in Albi, France from the 22nd to the 26th of August and were carried out according to the FAI rules and regulations.

50 pilots from 11 countries took part.

Competition maps

Maps in the 1:200 000 scale were used.

All maps were correct and used by the pilots.

3 training routes were available for the practising week, prepared by the organizers and 4 routes were prepared for the competition, of which 3 were used.

Transportation

Transportation was very well organized, by the organizer.

Travelling time was approximately 20 minutes from the main hotel to the airfield.

Accommodation and meals

Most of the participants stayed in the IBIS hotels including breakfast.

Lunch and dinner were served at the Albi airfield.

All meals were of a very good standard and quality.

Ceremonies

After a 2km march with all the teams through Albi, the opening ceremony took place at the tourist square next to the St. -Cecile Cathedral of Albi. This ceremony was open to the public and many spectators were present. With the standard programme points according to the FAI procedures, the president of the FFA Mr. Jean-Luc Charron introduced all the teams and various speakers from the FFA and guests of honour from the region, who then delivered their speeches.

Mr. Hans Schwebel GAC president officially opened the 24th FAI WPFC, with the required FAI flag and anthem.

The closing ceremony was held on the top of the Cinema CGR Les CORDELIERS.

The trophies and the medals were handed out by various official guests.

The GAC president Hans Schwebel then officially closed the championships with the required flag and anthem ceremony.

Airfield Facilities/ Registration and Information Office

All necessary facilities were supplied and were very good.

All sign boards and directions were very clear and everything very well organized and carried out, by excellent staff, who were all very helpful and friendly.

All, information for competitors and officials, as well as general information was well displayed at the airfield. Also, the country info

boxes were on hand and regularly updated. Also, WhatsApp information was available to the Pilots, team manager and officials.

The Jury had their own car for transport and necessary venues for meetings and protests were available.

Briefings/Communication

Briefings were held at the airfield. All information was given to the teams (team managers) chief judge and the international jury via info box, notice board and WhatsApp. Team managers briefing times were announced by the Championship director. The provisional results were announced after team manager briefing.

Training/practice week

The landing strip was well marked.

3 training routes were available and could be carried out in good weather.

The practise landing was also carried out, team slots for the practise landing were available.

Landings

The German landing system was used and very well managed and carried out by experienced staff. Results were also taken by official judges and 4 independent video cameras on opposite sides. The jury was satisfied with the setup of the landing system and markings.

Competition

Day 1 ,22.08.2022 Landing competition.

All procedures were carried out according to the rules and regulations and the results were handed out at the team managers briefing.

1 protest was received and after a video check by the jury, the protest was accepted.

All landing was broadcasted live on the big screen next to the Tower.

The 3 competition /navigation flights 23.8-25.8.2022 were carried out successfully. 2 flights were in good weather conditions and the 3rd flight delayed by 1 hour due to weather condition.

All flights were carried out to the rules and regulations.

For the navigation flight, the Jury received 1 protest.

The protest was denied.

All navigation flights were on live tracking and were displayed on internet.

All 3 routes were checked daily before the Navigation starts by the route planner, international chief Judge, and a Jury member.

Judge

The international chief judge, Andrej Osowski from Poland, arrived 6 days before the start of the competition, to check the routes together with the route planner Bertrand De Greef. Together with the competition director Philippe Muller, there was excellent communication and cooperation with the local chief judge Jacques Carriquiriberry and international chief judge Andrej Osowski, the international Jury Manfred Kunschitz and Krzysztof Lenartowicz ,as well as with the chief scorer Thomas Weise and all officials.

A big thank you to all for their hard work and competence. There were sufficient international and national judges available.

GAC/FAI Medals/ Trophies Awarded

Gold, Silver and Bronze Medals – for the first three pilots overall

Gold, Silver and Bronze Medals – for the first three teams including team Manger

Gold, Silver and Bronze Medals – for the three pilots in landing

Gold, Silver and Bronze Medals – for the best three women

Gold, Silver and Bronze Medals – for the best three low-experience pilot.

Trophies

City of Nottingham

World Champion

Canada Trophy

Landing Champion

Royal Aero Club of the UK Sword

Navigation Champion

New Zealand Trophy

Landing Team Champion

Air BP-Trophy

Best low experienced pilot

Argentina Trophy

Best Women Pilot

Conclusions

Sanction and Protest fees

The amount of the sanction fee of E 2500.00 (50 Pilots@ E50.00) was transferred to the GAC/FAI account.

The president of the Jury received the amount of E 100.00 as the fees for denied protest. The amount was given to the championship director for transferring to the GAC/FAI account.

Deposit

The competition was successful and conducted correctly and according to the rules and regulations. Therefore, the international Jury decided to return the deposit to the organizers.

Duties, arising from the Jury Handbook

- a) Jury final event report form, signed by all the International Jury

Members was given to the Competition director Mr. Philippe Muller after verification of the Championships as valid.

b) Report of the President of the Jury to the FAI Secretariat after the completion of the championships.

c) Report of the President of the Jury to the Air Sport Commission was sent together with enclosures and result after the finish of the Championships.

Recommendations

That the closing ceremony should be a formal, sit-down event, so that all present can see and be part of the proceedings.

Finally

The event was very well prepared, organized and carried out. It was very successful, and my special thanks go to the international Jury members, Manfred Kunschitz from Austria, and Krzysztof Lenartowicz from Poland.

Also, a special thanks to the FFA Mr. Jean-Luc Charron and the Championship Director Philippe Muller for an excellent host.

Thank you to Andrej Osowski as the international chief Judge from Poland and local chief Judge Mr. Jacques Carriquiriberry from France and route planner Bertrand De Greef from France. Also, to Mr. Thomas Weise from Germany, chief of the computer centre and the Landing scoring team from Germany, as well as all judges and all the friendly staff members involved.

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President of the International Jury